

Claim #32 Dinah Grayson

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Claim No. 52.

Under Article II, Treaty of 14<sup>th</sup> June, 1866,  
with Creek Indians.

The undersigned, Dinah Grayson, a  
free woman of color, of the Creek Nation, aged 40, a  
widow, and a loyal Refugee, being duly examined and  
sworn; (she understanding and conversing in the  
English language;) deposes and says: Has been a  
widow since 1862, her husband being killed by the  
Rebels. - While living on her place about four miles  
from North Fork Town, Creek Nation, and sometime in  
the month of August 1863, she was driven from her  
home by the Rebel Soldiers, under the command of  
General Cooper, and fled to Fort Gibson: that, at  
the time of her flight, she owned and possessed, and  
did thus, necessarily, abandon and lose all the property  
hereinafter enumerated, and has never since recovered  
the same, or any part thereof. To say:

Twenty (20) Head Cattle, at \$10 each	\$ 200.00
Ten (10) large Hogs, well grown, " \$4 each	40.00
One (1) Indian Mare & Colt "	40.00
Furniture, Beds, Bedding, Ware &c. &c	25.00
Poultry - about 50 head	10.00

making a total value of \$ 315.00  
Three hundred and fifteen dollars. Further this  
deponent saith not.

Dinah Grayson, her  
X  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me, at the Creek  
Agency, Ok., this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1869.

*[Signature]*  
Attest. Atty. Atty. Supt. Ind. Affs.  
South. Supt. Cal.

The undersigned, Sopley Stedam and Affey,  
Stedam, a Freedman and a Freedwoman, of the Creek  
Nation; loyal refugees, being duly (jointly) examined  
and sworn: (they conversing in, and understanding  
the English language;) do depose and say: They are  
not interested in the claim of Dinah Grayson, in  
any pecuniary manner whatever: that they have heard  
the foregoing affidavit read to them, and know its  
contents, and that the same is correct and true: And  
further, these deponents, of their own knowledge, do  
know that the said Dinah, did, at the time of her  
flight, own and possess, and did, necessarily abandon  
and lose all the property set out in her deposition,  
and in the manner stated by her. Further these  
deponents do not say.

Sopley Stedam,

his

Affey Stedam,

her

mark

Subscribed and sworn to, before me, at the Creek  
Agency, Ok., this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, A.D. 1869.

*[Signature]*  
Attest. Atty. Atty. Supt. Ind. Affs.  
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John #52 Dinah Grayson

### Award.

The loss of property specified above is deemed established by the foregoing testimony. Also, the status of claimant. The amount claimed, however, is, in some instances, considered excessive. Upon inquiry, it is found the values of the different kinds of property, at the time the loss occurred, <sup>valued</sup> as follows:-

Cattle, Stock, \$5.00 each:-

Hogs (well grown), 2.00 ..

Hares & colts - Indian, 20.00 ..

Poultry:- one-half claimed value:-

and for the following, one-half of the claimed value:-

Furniture:- Bed, bedding, War Sec. \$12.50.

In consideration of these, and all other facts attainable, bearing upon the case, we believe it just and equitable to award this claimant Dinah Grayson One hundred and fifty seven dollars, fifty cents.

\$157  $\frac{50}{100}$ .

W. J. Hays

Brevet Major General U. S. Army.

Supt. Indian Affairs, Southern Superintendency

F. A. Smith

Captain U. S. Army.

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